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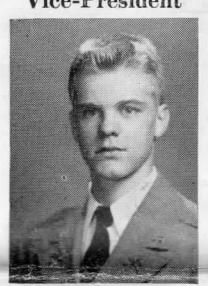
YMCA Names Frank Pilley New President

Cadet Franklin Pilley of Norfolk, Virginia was elected president of the Augusta Military Academy.

President Cadet Y. M. C. A. for the 1950-51 session of the academy. Pilley has been very active in religious work at A. M. A. since he first entered three years ago. He has since risen to the rank of cadet second lieutenant and aide to the commandant which is an important duty indeed. In addition, he is a member of the Roller Rifles, ace net-man on the tennis team and is engaged in many other beneficial activities.

Other officers elected were Cadet Bud Hargrave as vice-president; Cadet Brian Gardner as secretary; Cadet Otto Cuervo as treasurer; and Cadet Robert Broussard as chairman-of-the-cabinet.

Vice-President Hargrave has been an outstanding cadet in this year's cadet corps. He was chosen to act as battalion adjutant at a recent private's parade one Sunday and has completed many works of merit and and about the campus.



Frank Pilley

Princess



Miss Paula Bodecker

Princess



Miss Frances Lawrence



An Hour Floor Show Features 1950 Final Ball Extravaganza

Friday, June second, will see possibly the greatest Final Ball that has ever been put on at Augusta. This great fiftieth anniversary ball is under the auspices and direction of Lieutenant C. E. Svedge and Cadet Captain W. D. Paxton of Mount Ranier, Maryland.

Figure Leaders

Having been elected president of the Final Ball Committee, Cadet Bill Paxton will lead the grand march. Also on the Final Ball Committee and leading the figure are Cadet Captain Arthur N. Cohen of Newark, New Jersey, Cadet Captain Thomas Clements of Birmingham, Alabama, Cadet Captain William Hill of Silver Spring, Maryland, Cadet First Lieutenant Jack Russell of Washington, D. C., and Cadet First Lieutenant Edwin Click of New Hope, Virginia. These cadets were selected by the ball president to assist him.

Decorations Something New

The ceiling of the hall will be covered with green aluminum paper and spangled with stars, the moon and the sun. The walls will be hung with gold aluminum which will have green stars and moons attached. The band will be placed in a new position from which they can deliver the maximum quality desired.

The Augusta Girl For 1950

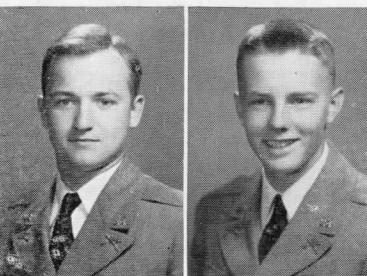


Miss Reba Ruth Reynolds

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Staff Votes Brian Gardner & Bob Broussard Bayonet Chiefs

Editors-In-Chief



Broussard Gardner



Sid Taylor

will be a main-stay on the six man staff.



Franklin Pilley

Franklin Pilley will be laden with honors when he returns next year. Having been already selected as president of the Y.M.C.A. and with an assurance for an extremely high rank, he will

assume the duties of associate editor with many responsibilities already on his shoulders.

Bucky Harris is one of the reasons for the success of this year's Bayonet and as associate editor next year, should carry the publication on to greater heights. He has participated actively in athletics and in other meritorious activities at the academy.

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James Lupton Leads AMA-Mint Springs In Combined Services

On Sunday night, May 7th the members of the Y.M.C.A. cabinet and approximately twenty-five cadets went to Mint Springs Methodist Church and presented a religious program. The program was led by Cadet Lupton and consisted of hymns, instrumental music, and talks by Cadet Lupton and Cadet Pilley.

Cadet Pilley spoke on Cadet Life at Augusta and Cadet Lupton spoke on Religious Life at Augusta. The cadet choir accompanied by Mrs. Robinson sang "God of Our Fathers"; "In the Garden" and "Living For Jesus". Instrumental selections were given by Cadet Deal with his trumpet, Cadet Hill with a selection of piano music and Cadet Wattay who played three selections on the violin.

After the cadet program was completed Reverend Thomas, pastor of Mint Springs Church, led a short closing to the program and invited everyone into the anteroom of the church where a refreshment course was served. After this the cadets returned to school having greatly enjoyed the hospitality of the Mint Springs Methodist Church and its congregation.

Miss Ruth Reynolds Reigns As Augusta Girl At Spring Formal

Colonel Charles S. Roller, Jr. announced the selection of Miss Reba Ruth Reynolds of Madison

Princess



Miss Bette Linder

College and Chatham, Virginia, as the 1950 Pin-Up Queen of the Augusta corps of cadets. Miss Reynolds was chosen by a board of three gentlemen and two ladies from Staunton. Miss Reynolds a sophomore at Madison, is a member of the Madison Cotillion Club, is an honor roll student, and plays intramural softball and basketball. Miss Reynolds' picture was submitted by Cadet Herman Mathes of Wilmington, Delaware who testifies to her ability to dance, swim, play tennis and other things.

The Pin-Up Committee selected Miss Paula Bodecker of Mary Baldwin College and Texas as first princess. Miss Bodecker is a freshman at the Staunton school where her athletic interests are horseback riding, swimming and riflery. Cadet Bob Tomczak of Brooklyn, New York sponsored Miss Bodecker. Miss Bette Linder of Fairfax Hall and Birmingham, Alabama was chosen second princess by the committee. Miss Linder is now a senior and her in-

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YOUR FINAL BALL

On June second, Augusta's greatest Final Ball in fifty years will be presented by the Final Ball Committee. The most lavish, spectacular decorations will adorn the gym that have ever been seen here. A splendid orchestra will play while the greatly impressive figure is going on. It will be a great occasion—or will it?

It will be great if you will support it. It's your Final Ball to support and enjoy. The lavish decorations, the costly orchestra, the impressive figure all mean nothing if there is no one to view these works of art—the president of the Ball, you elected—it's up to you to make it a success!

Remember that this is the biggest, most looked forward to occasion of the year to most cadets. You make it or you break it if you go or don't go respectively. So come on!—Support your president—Support your Ball—Support your corps! The Memorial Gymnasium awaits you.

COMING EXAMS

On June the first we will know whether our exams have proved fatal or whether they are successful. Right now is the time to study and not to "cram" right before exam. Of course there will always be the wise fellow who will study all night and then sleep through his exam. While walking around the barracks during study hour, you will find cadets eating, sleeping, playing ball, or even reading comic books. By no means will this make your summer happy or your year successful. We have only two weeks till exams, and if we don't study now we will suffer in the end. Now and only now is the time to prepare yourself for the final test. There are many of us who have failed our past exams and all depends on what we do for the rest of the year. We are on the home stretch and there is one alternative and that is to get down to some real, honest, hard work. It's now or never!!!

THE MOST IMPORTANT CONTEST OF ALL

Time . . . late morning, June the sixth. Place . . . Memorial Gymnasium. A name called, a short walk to the stage, a warm handshake and a presentation of a piece of paper, then it's all over. No more work, you've graduated! But it is over, really over, that is? Are you through with work for good? No, my friends, you are far from it. In fact, the hard work is just about to begin and I don't mean the work you will do in College. It is the work that will tell whether you are to be a success in life or not. The graduation exercises are called commencement, and there may be good advice behind that for all of us. To commence means to start and that is exactly what you are about to do and don't let anyone be fool enough to tell you that it's all over. In the past relatively few years that you have attended school; all schooling, that is; you have been preparing for the things to come, not to pass those tests. You are about to enter life and in this life you must apply that knowledge that you are supposed to have secured. If, by any chance you have failed to do so, then, my friend, blame no one but yourself. The knowledge was there, all you had to do was take it, and if you have gotten it, don't waste it by slowing up. Use every single bit that has come your way to the best of your ability and success is all but yours. The game of life is just like an athletic contest when you come right down to it. For a long while you train and prepare yourself for the trial to come, then you are pitted against others in your class and the one that has trained the hardest and has taken advantage of every opportunity, emerges the victor. It is the same way in life only on a much bigger scale. Let's hope that you have trained yourself well. Now my friends . . . win the big contest.

The Voice of R.O.T.C.

MILITARY MEANDERINGS

The first annual Yo-Yo Contest, sponsored by the Military Department, was held during drill period on 12 May. This outstanding event was divided into a Junior and Senior class. It was contemplated having "An Old Man's Class" but whereas Cadet Shappee was the only legal entry, this class was eliminated. Colonel Roller provided First, Second and Third place prizes for the winners in both classes. These prizes proved to be outstanding. In addition valuable consolation prizes were awarded all other entries. You just couldn't lose. Since conclusion of this contest Master Sergeants Dews and Medcalf, and Corporal Bratton have been observed secretly practising the manual of the Yo-Yo behind closed doors of the Military Department in preparation as dark horse entries for next year's classic. In the Senior Division First Place Winner was Cadet Matthes; Second Place, Cadet Pearson; Third Place, Cadet Guthrie with his invisible twirler. In the Junior Division, Cadet Pierce gathered First Place; Cadet Balbis Second Place; and Cadet Ambruster followed as the Third Place Winner.

RANGE FIRING

Within the limits of the time and ammunition available the Military Department has been attempting to provide those cadets who study marksmanship with the maximum amount of range firing. All cadets in MT II and MS II are firing the regulation small-bore course on the AMA range. They are also being provided the opportunity of firing the M1 Rifle on a 200 yard range. Although it has not been possible to acquire suffi-

PUBLICITY

Our Cadet Battalion Commander and Adjutant have registered the official protest that what with NCO Parades, Private Parades, Kit and Yo-Yo Contests, etc., just about everyone else in the corps has had their name in print but

A Guide to Best in Movies—Books—Records

What To Read — See And Hear

It's indeed unusual and amazing that the best performances of the year so far were given by a mule and a mouse! Of course, "The Third Man" has not been around yet, but until then, "Cinderella" and "Francis" will reign as Academy Award favorites. "Francis", the mule, is a perfect actor—and yet he really does not have to act at all. Gus the Mouse of Cinderella does a shade finer job; his role requires a slight bit more finesse.

CINDERELLA

Disney is back in fine stride with "Cinderella". Actually, the best of this movie is not Cinderella or the Prince Charming, but instead the orchids should go to Gus, his chums and his enemies, and the Technicolor. Gus is a loveable creature, with a cute bay window and a nervous disposition, but with an heroic sense of loyalty. He would gladly lay down his life for Cinderella and he would follow the skinny mouse with buck teeth, Jac, to the ends of the earth. Yes, Disney is at his best when he animates animals. Cinderella and the other humans come off a pretty poor second when compared with Gus, Jac, Bruno and the despicable Lucifer the cat. Don't miss this fine feature. It's a real cinematic treat.

Francis The Mule

Francis, the mule, makes fools out of the army and out of the top brass on an island in the Pacific. That in brief is the story which Universal-International claims as the surprise picture of the year. In spots, it is funny. Francis does a wonderful job, but the rest of the picture is contrived and labored after the first effects of a talking mule have worn off. See it; it's good, but only because "Francis" saved it from oblivion.

READ

S-S Leads the Way

Simon and Schuster are to be congratulated. Realizing that the high cost of books is keeping many people from purchasing them, they have begun issuing duplicate copies of cloth bound books in the paper edition for the small sum of one dollar. When contrasted with \$3.75-4.50 for some books, this places the chance of reading the best sellers before nearly everyone. So far "The Cardinal", "The Company of Men", "One Winter in Boston", and "How To Play Tennis Better" have made their appearance. It is a welcome named one. All of the above named

books should appeal to the majority of people. "The Cardinal" is the picturization of a Catholic priest and his rise to the rank of Cardinal. "The Company of Men" concerns the underprivileged in France, the orphans at the end of World War II and the ways they managed to survive. It is stark, unpleasant, and rather frightening. "One Winter in Boston" is a fairly interesting tale of poverty in Boston during the depression. It is easy to read, requires no thinking, and can be easily forgotten after it is finished.

HEAR

"Third Man"

"The Third Man Theme" is already well-known long before the picture will be shown in Staunton. The chief interest is the London recording of Anton Karas and his zither. This is the original record, and it is the background music for "The Third Man". In fact, with only two exceptions, the theme is played throughout the movie, with just a variation of tone and pitch to set the mood of the picture. This record is the only really good recording of the theme. Don't take less than the best—get Anton Karas and the zither on London records.

Before long, Betty Hutton will be flashing on the screens of the country in "Annie Get Your Gun", the play Ethel Merman made famous on Broadway and on Decca Records. The score from the MGM movie is available on MGM records, and the difference between the two interpretations is interesting. Betty Hutton does a fine job and the recordings are really better than the Broadway cast ones. However, only Ethel Merman can do "Doing What Comes Naturally" and make it seem unusual. Other interesting songs are "They Say It's Wonderful", "There's No Business Like Show Business", "I'm an Indian, Too", "Anything You Can Do", and "I've Got the Sun in the Morning". Listen to this album. It's excellent.

cient ammunition to permit them to fire the complete 200 yard qualification course they will at least gain the practical experience of knowing the feel of the M1 while firing live ammunition. Demonstrations on the firing of the BAR and LMG will also be held.

QUALIFICATIONS

So far in the ROTC small-bore range firing the following cadets have qualified and will be awarded the appropriate army qualification badge as earned by their scores. MT II: Experts; Arias, Gardenhire and Bonney—Sharpshooters; Ramsauer, and Suthard F.—Marksman; Calvo, E., Carter, Handy, Sanders, Suthard, E., Woodward, Anderson, S.; and Glover. MS II: Experts; Hill, Cohen and Madden—Sharpshooters; Duffey, J., Jones, Shillinglar, Grace, McCarthy, and Malamut—Marksman; Chandler, Anderson, Blake, Duffey, D., and Paxton. The badges may be seen displayed on the ROTC Bulletin Board and are the same as those awarded to Regular Army Personnel.

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PRIVATE PARADE

The weekly Dress Parade held at Augusta Military Academy on Sunday, 30 April was conducted by selected ROTC Cadet Privates of the Corps. Cadet Private John McKenna acted as Battalion Commander, with Cadet Private Charles Hargrave as Battalion Adjutant. The companies and platoons were commanded by Cadet Privates selected from their respective ranks. The company commanders were Edgar Quillin, Co. "A"; William Shepherd, Co. "B";

Irmin Meyer, Co. "C"; Eddie King, Co. "D"; and Robert Lowenbach, Hq. Co. The Lieutenants were Ayars, Day, Gardner, Harrison, Calvo, E., Duval, Gamewell, T., Calvo, A., Moser, B., and Tynes.

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NEXT YEAR

Both the NCO and Privates Parades have proved so successful it is now contemplated that next year at least one such parade will be conducted each month. This will permit more of our deserving Cadet NCO's and Privates to gain practical experience in commanding units during formal parades.

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GREETINGS

Recent information from Washington indicates a two year extension of the draft. Members of the Military Department say "Greetings, we'll be seeing you."

Steven Rogers and Chappie Chapman are frequently visitors to "J" Barracks. Even little Chappie tags along.

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The A.M.A.
Inquiring Reporters

For this, the last issue of the 1950 Bayonet, we asked some of the students of MT I and MT II, "What revisions of the MT I and MT II War Department Program would you recommend, and what subjects would you like to have included in the course?" The answers were varied as could be expected. Here are some of the typical ones:

Cadet McKenna—"If we had more actual work and less textbook, the course would become more interesting and more useful."

Cadet Shepard—"I believe that Hygiene and First Aid should be the first part of the MT II War Department Program. Perhaps the students would use the course then, since I believe it to be the most important subject covered in the course."

Cadet Messick—"Leadership is one quality that is used in everyday life. If we would take a five mile hike with semi-combat conditions, the cadets would be able to test their leadership. In event of the inevitable World War III, this would be very helpful."

Cadet Nolar—"They should go deeper into Hygiene and First Aid, because it is a course that you might be called upon to administer at any time."

Cadet Moran—"There should be more actual leadership by the cadets themselves. It would be helpful and interesting to have a cadet teach the class one day a week."

Cadet Lopez—"There should be actual experience in administering First Aid to a person. A person can read a book on how to build a boat; but after he builds it, he has to put it in water to see if it is a success."

Cadet Goldstein—"They should admit Marksmanship to MT I. It is a very interesting course, and many of the boys would like to fire on a rifle range."

Cadet Moore—"A brief coverage of the art of Self-Defense would make the course more interesting."

Cadet Glover—"Why don't they omit MT I and MT II, and let the students start with MS I? Just about all the subjects covered by the two Junior courses are covered by the Senior division."

Cadet Mudin—"There should be more competition in the Physical Development program, such as races, obstacle courses, etc."

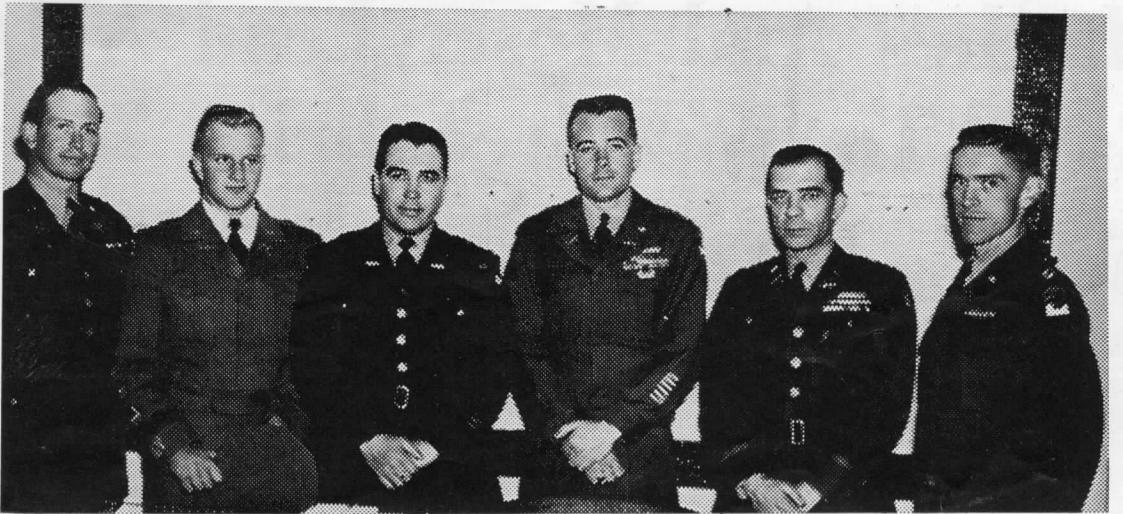
Bayonet Staff Votes

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The business manager, sports editor, circulation manager and advertising editor have not been named as yet but it is rumored that some of these will be drawn from the list of associate editors.

There will be many other offices open next year and all who are interested will have a chance.

Fighting is all right provided you do it intelligently.—But you you can't always find a smaller man.



FORMAL ROTC army inspection was conducted Thursday at Augusta Military Academy. Shown here, left to right, are inspection and school officers. Lt. Dwyer, inspecting; Cadet Capt. Arthur Cohen, battalion commander; Maj. Healy, inspecting; Maj. McWatters, professor of military science and tactics; Lt. Col. J. M. Smith, chairman of the inspecting board, and Capt. Aldrich, assistant PMS&T.



INSPECTION OFFICERS take a look at the armory at Augusta Military Academy. Left to right, they are Cpl. Paul Bratton, supply NCO; Maj. McWatters, Maj. Healy, and Lt. Dwyer, inspecting officers.

AMA 1949-50 Classes Will Hold Reunion in Washington June 16

Friday, Saturday and Sunday—June 16th, 17th and 18th—are the dates which have been set for the holding of the class reunions of the 1949 and 1950 classes of Augusta in Washington, D. C. this summer. Several banquets and informal discussions are planned for the occasion with much entertainment for all concerned.

All of the plans for the reunion and the program pertaining thereto are being made by Cadets Billy Hill of Silver Spring, Maryland (Class of '50) and Bob Bradford of Blacksburg, Virginia (Class of '49). Hotel accommodations for those desiring to attend are being obtained and the "forty-niners" are being constantly informed of progress by mail.

No exact location of the reunion has been announced to date as the number who are going to attend is not as yet known.

Former AMA Boys Win VPI Honors

Two outstanding honors came to two former AMA cadets this year at Virginia Polytechnic Institute at Blacksburg when Billy Aycock, class of 1948, and Ray Anderson, class of 1949, won military honors in class-wide competition held recently.

Billy Aycock won first place as the best drilled cadet in the Sophomore class while Ray Anderson won the same honor for the Freshman class. Anderson as well as Aycock were each one of four cadets selected from their units to compete for a medal.

In addition to holding this honor Anderson was also one of two freshmen selected as members of the Honor Court.

She: Do you love animals?

He: All except the pink elephants I see on my bed around five A.M.

Willoughby Tops Final Honor Roll

Four times this year Willoughby has topped the honor roll. His averages so far have been 94, 95.7, 95.5, 96.6, 97.7, 98.2; a total average of 96.45. This is one of the highest averages ever made at Augusta. On his last average he is higher by two whole points than any other boy in the school. This is a great honor to any cadet and especially to his family. He is a fine fellow in every respect and making friends is his specialty. He has been at Augusta only two years and will probably receive best N.C.O. in his company. He is courteous and has made the school a happier and better place to live. His part in academics is an inspiration to all cadets.

Success depends on luck and pluck: luck in finding someone to pluck.

Bill: I'm forgetting women.

Sid: I'm for getting some, too.

Let's go.

District Attorney: Have you ever seen a lie detector?

Defendant: I'm married to one.

Joanie: I read that more men go crazy than do women.

Jim: Yeah, but who drives them crazy.

As they walked down the street, she said to him, "Now before we go any farther, I want you to know that I don't permit anyone to kiss, put his arm around me, or even hold my hand. Is that clear?" "Yes," he said. "Now that that's settled," she continued, "where are you taking me?" "Home," he replied.

I was having dinner at a restaurant with my girl, and these was a fly buzzing around our table. My girl said to the waiter, "Waiter, remove this insect!" Was I embarrassed when he threw me down four flights of stairs!

Pearson Places in Oratorical Contest

Each year the Hearst Oratorical Contest is held in Baltimore, sponsored by the Baltimore Sunday American and the Baltimore News Post. The subject this year was, "James Madison, Patriot, Statesman".

Cadet Pearson was chosen to represent Augusta Military Academy in the elimination contest.

Pearson was chosen out of about seventy contestants to speak in the semi-finals. He went back for the semi-finals but placed seventh, a hair away from being selected to enter the finals. His competition was great as he had to compete with college students. He was praised for having such a wonderful delivery.

Quadrangle Quips

By Jim Starnes

Ole AMA has gone western within the past three weeks! It looks like a real rodeo with "Wild Bill" Parnell, "Tex" Brooke, "Smoky" Anderson and "Terror" Schimmel roaming the grounds with their whips. I understand that Brooke and Parnell, the flashy type, have bought all the "Lash LaRue" Comics at the PX.

What is this we hear about the Founder's Day rifle squad having combat tactics in addition to preparing for the ceremonies in the churchyard?

In true keeping with his sympathetic and brotherly love for animals "Pete" Fogle brought back a blacksnake with him from a hike a couple of Mondays ago. This newly acquired should do wonders for his room's decorative scheme, which is enhanced by a cute 60 M.M. mortar.

Raccoon coats should become regulation if this uke-strumming craze keeps up. "Rusty Clint" Bales is the faculty representative in this fine art, and "Swivel Hips" Clements is doing very well for the students. On applause let's all say: "Twenty-three skidoo!"

Dick Gibbs and "Bud" Hargrave are constantly arguing about the merits of a motorboat over a Model "A". Chiming into this are "Abey" Dabney speaking for his fine truck and Mike Hrisis upholding the merits of the grapevine.

There is considerable spirit in the softball league — Ellman's "Eight Men and a Nose" are doing fine, but Huff's "Virgins" are doing the best so far.

Mike Kline got a record from his girl over at Fairfax. On one side "I Can Get Along Without You Very Well", and on the other: "I'll Be Seeing You". Could she be dropping a gentle hint? Mike asks.

In regard to that horn I play in the band: It's a euphonium, a combination baritone and trombone. No, Pete Fogle, the little horn is not an ashtray; However, I won't be able to play it very well unless Hill, Russell, Malamut and Click don't stop making those faces at me while marching to supper.

That's a pretty nifty sign Detwiler and Garrison have in their window! Truer words were never spoken, George and Leroy.

For constantly relating about his bull fighting episodes in Mexico, the Spanish classes are going to make Lt. "ED" Smith wear a crown of Spanish onions, and do a Mexican hat dance for a certain party in the Record Shop. He knows who we mean.

Lt. Al McCue has really gone sharp with that shiny new sedan

Presenting Our Seniors

Benito Chang

Benito is to be congratulated for the work he has done since he has been at Augusta. Though he has had a language difficulty to overcome, he has become Assistant Adjutant and is a good student. He has shown his athletic ability by becoming a top member of the tennis teams. This cadet from Guatemala has also been very active in the intramural sports of Augusta.

Jack Russell

In his own kind and generous way Jack Russell has done as much or more for the cadets as any one else in the corps. He was co-captain of the Tiger football team, and this winter he was a member of the Augusta fencing team. This spring he helped to organize an intramural softball league. As secretary of the student body he has helped Cadet Paxton immensely. He is one of our best commissioned officers, and he has worked hard to make his platoon one of the best in the battalion. We will all miss this industrious and friendly cadet when he leaves school this June.

Robert Bradford

Whenever there is any paper work to be done, Bob is the one everyone calls for. As adjutant this year he has had to make up guard details, write up reports, write up penalty, write out orders, and do other work the commandant's office or PMS & T office requires of him. Along with his other duties he has published an alumni newspaper and has aided Cadet Publications. When he leaves, the cadets will miss this hard working cadet; the whole corps wishes him the best of luck after he leaves our school.

Fred Shappee

Fred has been at Augusta for five years. This year he was the battalion S-4 officer. He has worked very hard at his job in the school armory where he has aided Cpl. Bratton. This work has been very hard, but Fred has done it with a cheerful attitude which has made him well liked by everyone in the corps, and the cadets will miss his wit next year.

Angrily the tramp walked away from the farmer's wife.

He shouted, "Work for a meal? Listen, lady, I'm just hungry—not desperate."

The guy decided to reform. The first week he cut out smoking. The second week he cut out drinking. The third week he cut out women. The fourth week he cut out paper dolls.

Mother and five-year old Betty were still awake at five A.M. Betty pleaded for a story. "Hush, dear," mother said. "Daddy will come home soon and tell us both one."

of his, but nothing would match Lt. Dawson's limousine of a few years ago.

AMA Lacrosse Ten Defeats VMI 6-5

In a fast, highly spirited game played on the loser's field, the Augusta Military Academy lacrosse team defeated the VMI Freshman team, 6-5.

The contest was played in a downpour of rain which made the footwork of both teams precarious.

Augusta opened the scoring early in the first period when Brooke came from behind the VMI goal and shot a fast one past Profitt. This lead was short held as VMI quickly retaliated and evened the score with Street taking a pass from McCarthy to put one in the upper right hand corner.

In the second period Brooke again soloed and scored and his action was duplicated by his teammate Ben Angle. This put AMA in front 3-2.

Just as the sideline whistle blew for the half Matthews shot at the VMI goal and was successfully only to have the tally nullified by termination of the period.

In the third period, Brooke, Hill, and Colliflower scored again for Augusta while McCarthy, Street, and Gowan tallied for VMI. AMA was leading 6-3 until the last half of the final period when VMI put on attack that almost tied the score.

VMI lost one goal due to a penalty being called upon them before the tally was made.

AMA's Ben Angle had so much momentum in his stride when he scored that he kept on going through the goal and netting.

AMA Edged By W-L In Close Tilt

The Blue and White lacrosse team lost its first game Wednesday to a strong Washington and Lee freshman team by the score 5-3 on the loser's field.

W-L took advantage of the looseness of the Blue and White defense and soon had a commanding 3-0 lead at halftime. Bibby, W-L attackman, tallied all three of his team's goals.

W-L was more or less in control of the game throughout the first half.

In the second half AMA came back strong and within the third period tallied three times on superbly executed plays by Brooke, Hill and Cole with Young the contributing factor.

In the closing minutes of the final period W-L came to life and again scored on the looseness of the AMA defense when Wagner and Rose tallied with ease.

Presenting The Captains Of 1950 Spring Sports Program



Clements

BASEBALL

The baseball team this year chose an outstanding cadet to lead the team. Matthes made a name for himself on last year's team and has been selected as captain this year. Matthes is an artist on the mound and has done much to bring victories to the big blue this year.



Matthes

TENNIS

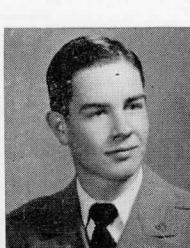
One of the outstanding teams this year is the tennis team and they picked as their captain Tommy Clements. Tommy has played on the team for four years and has been captain for three years. He is one of the mainstays of the team and has done much to bring them many victories.



Brooke

LACROSSE

Although very new here at Augusta the Lacrosse team has made a very outstanding record for itself this year. Under the direction of Co-captains Roger Brooke and John Cole the team has come a long way this year. Cole plays midfield and Brooke plays center both of which have been the spark plug of the attack as well as excellent defense.



Cole

Big Blue Netmen Trip MMA In Clean Sweep

Making a clean sweep without the loss of a set, A.M.A.'s tennis team defeated Massanutten 9-0.

Augusta's superiority was so evident that Massanutten was able to win only four games in the twelve sets played in the singles matches. Augusta's subs played out the doubles.

Scrivener (A) defeated Vanderdyse 6-0, 6-0; Ramsaeur (A) defeated Riqueses 6-0, 6-0; Clements (A) defeated Vanderdyse 6-1, 6-0; Pilley (A) defeated Angeloh 6-0, 6-0; Ault (A) defeated Gilmour 6-0, 6-2; Hantsch (A) defeated Shaffer 6-0, 6-1; Luttrell and Chang (A) defeated Vanderdyse and Riqueses 8-6, 6-4; Miller and Evans (A) defeated Vanderdyse and Angeloh 6-1, 6-1; Handy and McDowell (A) defeated Gilmour and Shaffer 6-3, 6-0.

Massanutten Falls Before Augusta 8-2

With Herman Matthes pitching a classy four-hitter, A.M.A.'s baseball team exploded for four runs in each of the seventh and eighth innings Wednesday to defeat Massanutten, 8-2.

Matthes pitched a beautiful game and did not allow an earned run. He allowed only one hit the first six innings, and Massanutten never did get more than one in any innings. He struck out eight and walked three.

The game was a scoreless tie for six full innings despite some lusty base hits by Augusta. However, the locals hopped on Bruce, Massanutten's starting pitcher in the seventh for four runs, and then got four more in the eighth to top off two other pitchers.

Len Schabdaach started Augusta off in its half of the seventh with a double to center. Bob Trivits was safe on an error, and Al Haywood walked to fill the bases. Miles Willard sent two of them home with a single to right, then Moser and Constantino walked and Matthes was hit with a pitched ball to force in two more.

Augusta	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
McKenna, lf	4	1	0	1	0	0
Haywood, 1b	3	2	0	11	1	0
Willard, ss	5	1	3	1	4	0
Moser, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Nolan, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Constantino, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Matthes, p	3	0	0	2	4	0
Schabdaach, 3b	4	1	2	2	1	0
Paxton, 3b	0	0	0	0	1	0
Wiseman, 2b	3	0	0	1	1	0
Tomczak, 2b	0	1	0	1	0	1
Trivits, c	3	2	2	7	1	0

A man returning home in the small hours of the night found a burglar jimmying the lock on his door. Thinking quickly, the man whispered to the prowler, "I'll open the door if you'll go in first!"

Matthes And Moser Lead AMA Rally To Top Greenbrier 7-3



MILES WILLARD, Augusta Military Academy shortstop, flops back into first base safely after Dickerson, Greerrier Military School hurler, attempted to pick him off. Greene makes the play at the initial sack for GMS. Willard singled in the seventh to drive in the tying run and Augusta pushed over four more in the eighth to win, 7-3. (Staff Photo)

Strickler Stops FUMA In 7-0 Tilt

Junior Strickler, former Mt. Sidney High School mound ace, turned in one of the best performances of his career here Saturday afternoon as he set Fork Union Military Academy down with one scratch hit.

Augusta Military Academy won the contest, 7-0, to give it a 4-1 mark in State Military School League competition and a shot at the loop championship held for the past several years by Fork Union.

Strickler fanned 13 and did not issue a single free pass as the visitors got only three men on base and two as far as second. Only three balls were hit out of the infield off him.

Griffin Gets Hit

Rightfielder Jesse Griffin got the only Fork Union hit, a bloop behind third in the sixth. Thirdbaseman Tomczak quickly retrieved the ball and threw Griffin out trying to stretch his knock into a double.

Two men got on base previous to that. In the first Kite, first of two Fork Union twirlers, was safe when Strickler dropped his easy pop fly. He went to second on an infield out. In the fourth Griffin was safe when Al Haywood muffed his grounder down the first base line and he, too, went to second on an infield out. In addition to Griffin, the only Fork Union batters to get balls out of the infield were Crockett, a fly to Pul Constantino in short center, and Anderson, who skied to Jack McKenna in left in the eighth.

Constantino opened the second stanza with a double to left, continued on to third when the relay from outfield was slow, and romped home with the first marker of the game when the firstbaseman threw wildly attempting to catch him at third.

One hit, two sacrifices, a balk, and a wild pitch were good for two more in the fourth. Miles Willard was safe when the thirdbaseman fumbled his grounder and moved to second on a balk. He went all the way home on Constantino's sacrifice bunt. Dick Nolan doubled to right, took third on a wild pitch, and tallied on Tomczak's sacrifice.

Bob Trivits singled off Wickert's glove to start things off in the fifth, took second on an infield out, third on a wild pitch, and scored on an error by the pitcher. Constantino walked to open the sixth, stole second, and moved to third on Nolan's single. Nolan stole second and both rode home on Tomczak's single.

Augusta wound up the scoring in the seventh. Johnny Wiseman, Strickler's teammate at Mt. Sidney last season, was safe on an error, took second on an infield out, third

8th Inning Uprising Defeats Strong Rival

Rallying for four runs in a big eighth inning uprising, Augusta Military Academy defeated Greenbrier Military School of Lewisburg, W. Va., 7-3.

Greenbrier started off with a bang. Mattocks, first man to face AMA's Bobby Moser, drew a base on balls, Stag moved him to second with a sacrifice, and Martinez sent him home with a ringing single through the box to center.

The host nine went on top in the second when Moser walked, Haywood, hitting from the left side of the plate, drove one down the left field line for a triple, and Len Schabdaach followed with a single.

With out out, Mattocks singled and took second on a passed ball. Stag skied to Jack McKenna in left, but Martinez singled to center, scoring Mattocks, and when Constantino let the ball get through him Martinez circled the bases to put Greenbrier on top, 3-2.

Augusta put together a single by McKenna, wild pitch, infield out, and single by Miles Willard to knot the count in the seventh.

Haywood dropped a single into right-center to open the inning and Schabdaach beat out a hit to deep short. Buck Anderson walked to load the bases. After McKenna fanned, Caylor laid a bunt down the third base line scoring Haywood and was safe himself when the Greenbrier fielders let the ball go on the chance it would roll foul.

Willard fanned, but Constantino dropped a double into rightfield to score Schabdaach and Anderson and when the throw from Amara bounded out of the infield Caylor tallied and Constantino moved to third.

Matthes got credit for the win, pitching three and two-thirds innings of scoreless, one-hit ball. He fanned six.

August	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	O.
McKenna, lf	5	1	1	2	0	0
Caylor, 2b	5	1	1	2	0	0
Willard, ss	4	0	2	3	3	0
Constantino, cf	3	0	1	3	0	0
Moser, p	2	1	0	2	0	0
Matthes, p	0	0	0	0	3	0
Tomyczak, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Nolan, rf-c	2	0	0	3	2	0
Haywood, 1b	3	2	2	7	1	0
Schabdaach, 3b	3	1	2	1	2	0
Trivits, c	2	0	0	4	1	0
Anderson, rf	1	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	32	7	9	27	12	0
Greenbrier	100	020	000	3	0	0
Augusta	020	000	14x	7	0	0

VPI Loses 6-4

To AMA Stickmen

Less than 40 seconds had elapsed after the opening whistle beginning the game before Johnny Cole, AMA attackman, shot one past Eng, VPI goalie. The score was made possible on brilliant teamwork of AMA spearheaded by Roger Brooke, center, who got possession of the ball and quickly passed to Young who relayed the pass to Cole.

VPI came back quickly in the initial period when it intercepted an AMA pass and carried the attack into AMA territory only to lose possession of the ball.

In the second period, long, lanky Ben Angle, AMA midfieldman, carried the ball in a direct shot at the VMI goalie and scored. Shortly after that he duplicated this feat by scoring again on a beautiful pass from Hill.

In the third period by means of mass substitutions, VPI kept the ball deep in AMA territory but without any success except when Comegys, flashy VPI attackman, eluded the AMA defense and scored.

In the final period Ligon, VPI, and Young, stellar AMA attack, each scored a goal for their teams.

Scores by periods: AMA 1-2-0-1

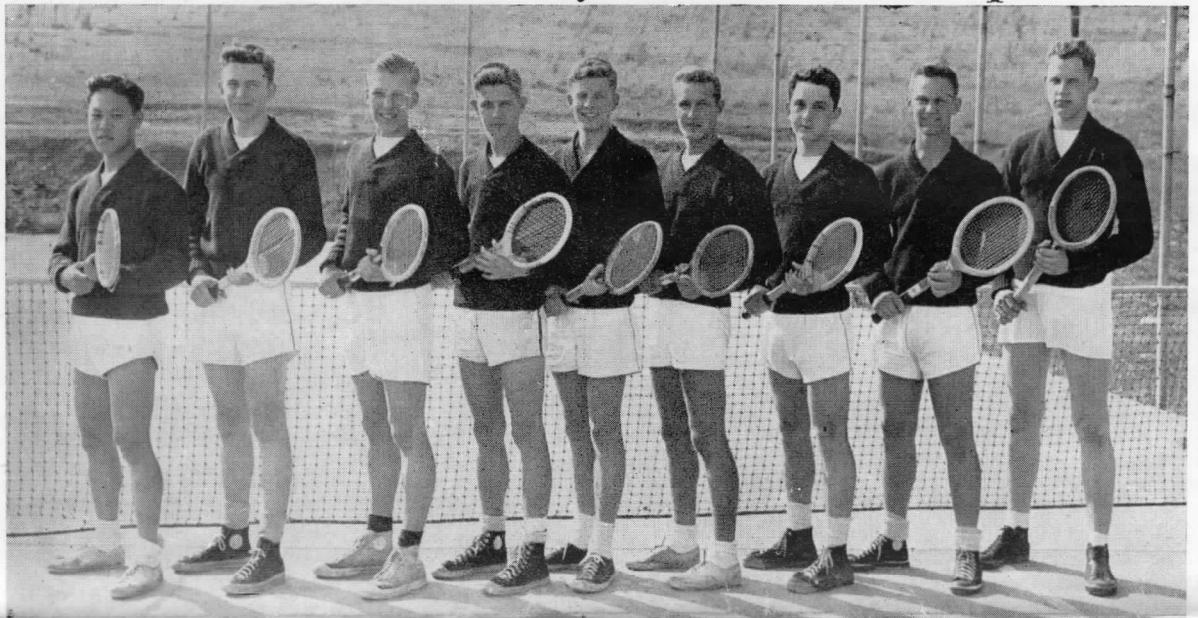
VPI 0-0-1-1

State Prep School Baseball Champions



Rear—Anderson, Garrison, Trivits (Capt.), Chapman (Coach). Front—Rodgers, Schabdach, Willard, Taylor, Haywood, McKenna, Constantino, Moser, Nolan, Tomeczak, Chapman.

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Click and Cohen Tops In Science Contests

Four Augusta Military Academy cadets have been notified that they have won places in the statewide Science Contest held at the College of William and Mary on Saturday, April 22.

The two cadets competing in biology, Edwin F. Click of Crimora, and Arthur N. Cohen of Newark, N. J., placed first and second, respectively, according to a telegram received here from Dr. John E. Hocutt, contest chairman and dean of admissions at the college and a professor of chemistry.

William Willoughby of Greensboro, Ala., won second place in the physics contest, and Robert E. Bradford of Blacksburg took fourth place.

Cadet Click will receive a \$300 scholarship to William and Mary for winning the biology competition.

Tribute Paid To Founder of AMA

As has been the tradition for many years, Founder's Day was celebrated in the usual manner, May 8. On that day the cadet corps and faculty paid tribute to the great educator, Professor Charles S. Roller, Sr.

The day was a holiday for all cadets with permits being given to all. At eleven in the morning the corps marched in full dike to the Old Stone Church Cemetery where they were massed about the grave of the founder of Augusta. After wreathes had been placed upon the graves of Prof. Roller, and the rest of the Augusta family, Major McCue delivered a short talk. Following this the Band played "Nearer My God To Thee". Prayer was then offered by Cadet Bradford.

Three volleys were then fired as

Literary Society Will Hold Final Meeting June 5th

The final meeting of the Ciceroonian Literary Society will be held on June fifth. Since this is the night before the close this will be next to the last event in finals. This meeting has always been one of the most entertaining parts of finals and extensive preparations are being made for the program this year.

The program will consist of a debate and ten declamations. Between these there will be special music by the band. The debate is "Resolved, That Socialized Medicine is a benefit to the people of the United States." The affirmative side will be argued by Cadets

a final tribute and the service was concluded.

Bayonet Names Outstanding Cadets For The Session 1949-50

The Bayonet herewith announces the names of the outstanding cadets in school for the 1949-50 session. These honors are announced after careful consideration of the staff and the faculty adviser.

Bob Bradford has been chosen as the cadet who has done most for the school.

On looking back, we find that Cadet Citarella is the most improved cadet in the school.

In all sports, Pud Constantino and Miles Willard have been chosen as the most valuable cadets of the year.

Decorating honors awarded to Ed Click for his fine work on the dances this session.

Cadet John Cole has been picked as the best officer in the battalion for his military precision and efficiency.

Honors for the best sports manager goes to Cadet Ronnie Sollod for his efficient work in managing basketball.

Best new cadet of the year goes to the hard working and industrious Tommy Gamewell.

Much deliberation was taken to decide the most studious cadet and Cadet Willoughby has been nominated for this award.

Best officer of the day goes to Jack Russell whose hard working ability enabled him to carry out his duties to a high degree.

Roger Messick has been picked as the one cadet who has done all his jobs well and is the best all around cadet.

Ben Angle, who will return to Augusta has the most promising future.

Cadets Steele and Shappee have done the most to improve the school by their wonderful work in the armory.

Bill Grace of C Company has been picked as the best corporal of the guard.

Frank Hunter for his untiring work and effort has received the best N.C.O. award.

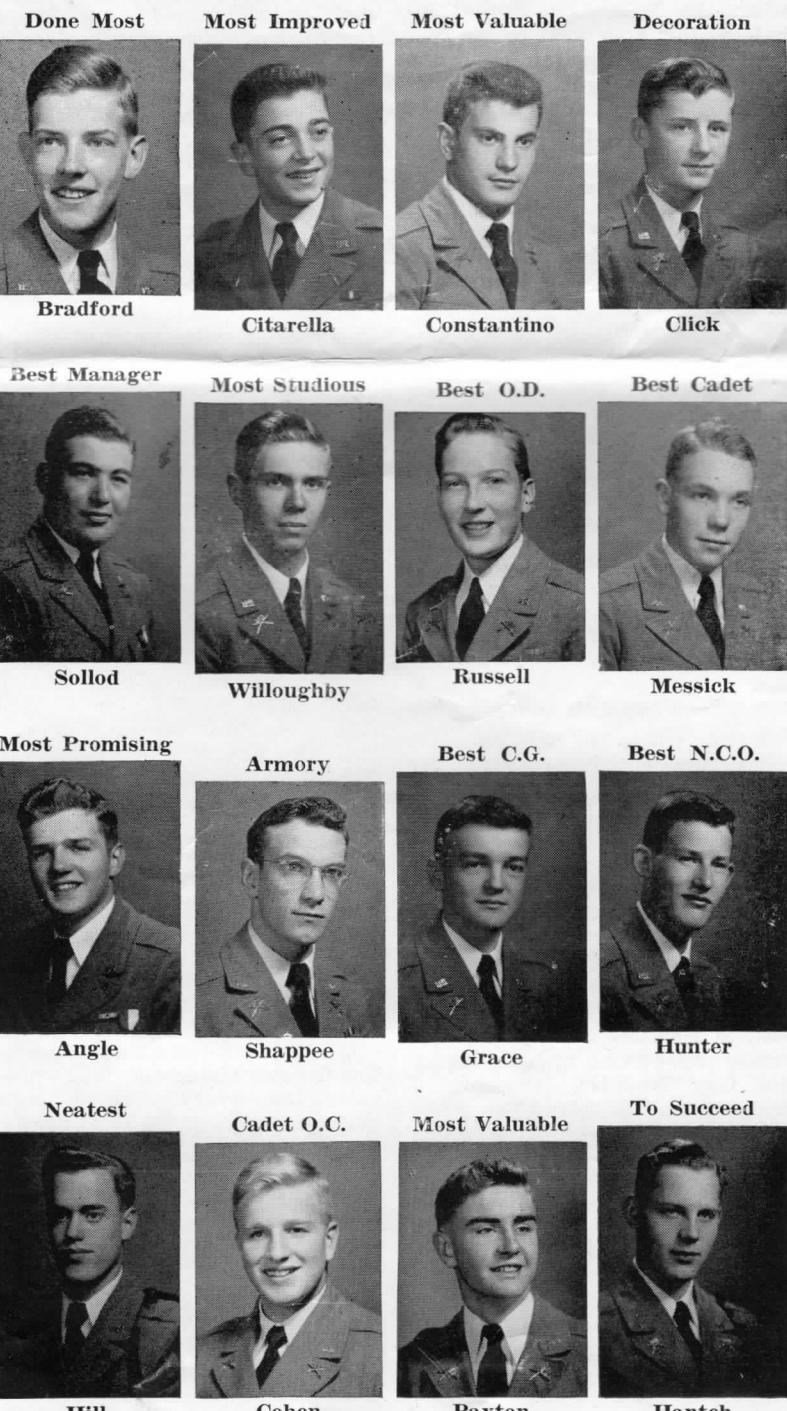
Bill Hill was selected as the cadet who at all times was the neatest.

The best cadet O.C. for this year goes to none other than Otts Cohen, for his very efficient work.

The most valuable cadet in the corps to the cadets is our beloved Bill Paxton.

Because of his hard work Bob Hantsch was picked as the cadet most likely to succeed in the future.

Winners 1950 Bayonet Awards



Hantsch, Russell, and Bradford and the negative by Cadets Pearson, Sollod, and Miller J. M.

The declaimers will be Hill W. R., Mather-Smith, Lupton, Anderson W., Wattay, Core Evans, Broussard and Hrisis. At the conclusion the three judges will select the best debater and best declaimer and medals will be awarded accordingly.

The officers of this year's Literary Society are Cadet Cohen President, Cadet Malamut Vice President, Cadet Lupton Secretary, Cadet Pearson Treasurer and Cadet Anderson W. as Sergeant at Arms.

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Only 60 Minutes From Augusta

Natural Bridge – Nature's Epic A Symphony of Beauty, Rock

Located about fifteen miles from Lexington, Virginia on U.S. Highway No. 11, is a massive stone bridge between two towering cliffs, the Natural Bridge of Virginia. This marvel, one of the seven natural wonders of the world, is truly a "miracle in stone."

Jefferson Visited N. B.

The Natural Bridge has a history of many million years. The small creek that winds its way through the opening still today did the tremendous job of cutting through the rock. At one time, the entire valley wherein the bridge is located was level with the top of the bridge. Then the creek which flows there found a crevice in a rock and began to flow down through the rocks to lower ground below. This process, over a period of several million years, formed a large cavern beneath the surface of the earth. At a later period, an earthquake or some similar eruption of the earth's surface took place and caused a great part of the cavern to cave in leaving overhead only one mighty span of solid rock, the bridge itself.

N. B. Million Years Old

The first record that is known of a human visiting the site was when the Indian tribes that inhabited this area went to the spot and worshipped the miracle in the early morning light. With England's colonization of Virginia, the bridge became the property of the King of England. Later, Edward granted the property to an American statesman known to us all, Thomas Jefferson. Jefferson visited there often and built a small cabin there for his family and himself.

"G. W." Carved Initials

At a later date, a colonel in the English reserves who had some knowledge as a surveyor went to the great stone bridge and surveyed all of the property surrounding it. He even crawled up the side of the bridge itself to a height of about thirty feet where he carved his initials in the rock. That rock may still be viewed today with the initials "G.W." on it—the initials of a then little known colonel, George Washington.

Tourists Visit Shrine

Not only does the bridge attract many tourists, but there are many other attractions near the location. The beautiful Natural Bridge Hotel sits on a hill nearby where many famous celebrities of the nation have stopped to visit. Passing down the path to the path to the bridge, we see many old Arbor-Vitae trees, some over two thousand years old. Beyond the span which rises some 225 feet, is Hemlock Island, scene of many gay picnics and dances in the Gay Nineties. Crossing a bridge from the island, we come to an old salt-petre cave which

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Tourist Homes Offer Good Accommodations

Surrounding Augusta are several tourist camps and motor courts which may be available to those desiring accommodations during the final exercises at school.

The closest tourist lodge to the campus is The Belmont Tourist Lodge located near Mount Sidney, Virginia, about two miles from school. Also located in Mount Sidney is The Tourist Haven operated by Mrs. Nell Shumate. Those desiring affinity to the school and surrounding facilities will be well pleased during their stay in these places.

About ten miles north of Mount Sidney is located the Modern Pure Village, long headquarters for the weary traveler on the Valley Pike. Rest and seclusion from the city grind may be secured here at moderate rates.

Staunton is more or less the main "stomping ground" for those who will attend finals. On North Augusta Street on the part of Staunton nearest A.M.A. is the Maplewood Tourist Home where the family may desire to stay or there is the Maple Lodge located in Staunton on U.S. No. 11 and only three blocks from U.S. No. 250. The Virginia Terraces Inn is located on number 11 also and the Wayside Tourist Home offering free garages may be found on U.S. No. 250 on the Waynesboro Road about a mile from Staunton. These homes offer the quiet of the country together with accessibility to the city as does the Grand View Inn which is mid-way between Staunton and Augusta on the Valley Pike. In Verona, the small camp with the homey atmosphere, The Tumble Inn Motor Court, provides the weary traveler with quiet and rest.

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Finals will soon be here; and there are a lot of medals, scholarships and prizes to be awarded at the Final Exercises that will be held in the A.M.A. Gym on the morning of the sixth of June.

Principal's Prizes going 1) to cadet making the highest average 2) to the cadets having no demerits during the entire year.

Military Prizes going (1) for Military Excellence during the year (2) best drilled cadet in individual competition (3) Neatest room during the year.

Crowle Medal for best student in Spanish.

Ferguson Medal for best student in all subjects.

Reed Medal for best Marksman-ship.

Richey Medal for best student in science.

Clarke Medal for best student in history.

Shook Medal to the best student in military science.

Roller Medal for best student in Latin.

Maggie Belle Roller Medal awarded to the most loyal cadet.

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